

REMARKS:

Claims 1-5 and 16-19 are currently pending in the present Application.

Claims 6-15 are canceled herewith without *prejudice*.

Claims 1-19 stand allowed.

The Drawings stand objected under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a).

By this Amendment, the Applicant has canceled without prejudice Claims 6-15, in an effort to expedite prosecution of this Application and to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as the invention. By making this amendment, the Applicant makes no admission concerning the merits of the Examiner's rejection, and respectfully reserve the right to address any statement or averment of the Examiner not specifically addressed in this response. Particularly, the Applicant reserves the right to pursue broader claims in this Application or through a continuation patent application. No new matter has been added.

SPECIFICATION:

The Applicant has amended the specification on: Page 5, Line 22 and Page 6, Lines 2-15. The Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments to the Specification are necessitated by the amendments submitted herewith to the new sheet of amended drawings and adds no new matter to the application. In addition, the Applicant respectfully submit that the changes and amendments proposed herein will not cause any undue burden on the Office.

DRAWINGS:

The Examiner objects to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a). (21 February 2007 Office Action, Page 2). Specifically the Examiner asserts that the "features 'using one or more processing units' recited in Claims 1-5 [and] 'a computer readable medium'

recited in Claims 16-19, are not shown in the drawings.” The Applicant respectfully disagrees.

In addition, the Examiner asserts that corrected drawings sheets in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d) are required. In response the Applicant is submitting herewith one (1) sheet of new drawings, marked as “New Sheet”, comprising Figure 12. In addition, a copy of the “New Sheet” of formal drawings is being sent herewith to the Official Draftsperson. Furthermore, two paragraphs in the subject Application are hereby amended to conform to the foregoing “New Sheet” of drawings.

The Applicant respectfully submits that the foregoing “New Sheet” of drawings add no new matter to the subject application. In addition, the Applicant respectfully submits that the “New Sheet” of drawings and amendments proposed herein will not cause any undue burden on the Office.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(a):

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for withdrawing the rejection of Claims 1-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over *Maeda*.

CONCLUSION:

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application is considered to be in condition for allowance, and early reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Although Applicant believe no fees are deemed to be necessary; the undersigned hereby authorizes the Director to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 500777**. If an extension of time is necessary for allowing this Response to be timely filed, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to the extent necessary. Any fee required for such Petition for Extension of Time should be charged to **Deposit Account No. 500777**.

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Respectfully submitted,

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